

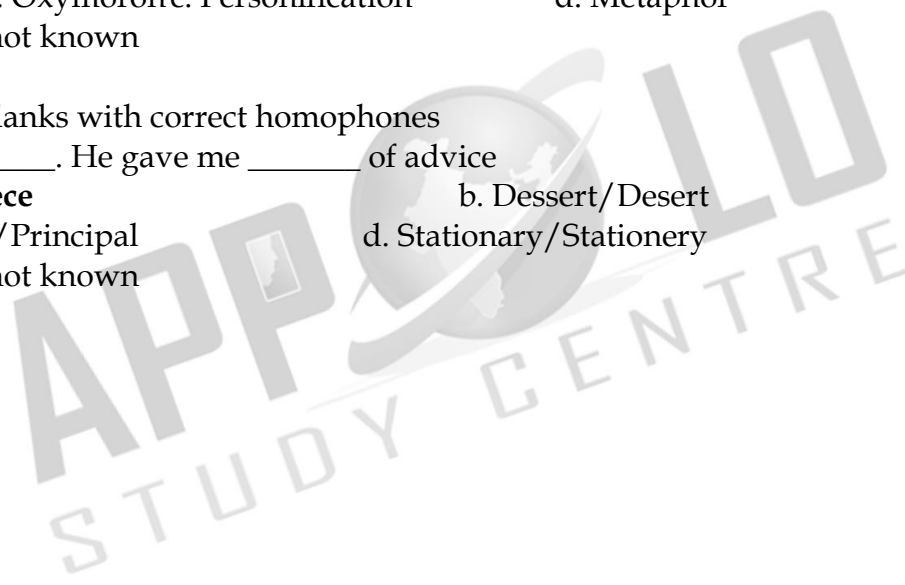
TNPSC 2019 GENERAL ENGLISH GRAMMAR

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- Match the prefixes from column A with correct stem words from column B.

	A	B	C	D
A. Pro			1. Head	
B. Fore			2. Claim	
C. De			3. Close	
D. Dis			4. Fame	
	A	B	C	D
a.	3	4	2	1
b.	1	2	3	4
c.	2	1	4	3
d.	4	3	1	2
e.	Answer not known			
- Select the Correct tense form of the verb in bracket
My brother _____ [leave] before you return.
 - Will leave
 - Will be leaving
 - Will have left**
 - Is leaving
 - Answer not known
- Select the correct tense form of the verb in bracket
I _____ [go] to Delhi tomorrow
 - go
 - will go
 - am going**
 - will be going
 - Answer not known
- Fill up with correct tense form of the verb
If I had talked clearly, I _____ (pacify) them
 - Would pacify
 - Will pacify
 - Would pacified
 - Would have pacified**
 - Answer not known
- Select the correct sentence of the following sentence
Muthu is a man of great courage
 - Statement**
 - Interrogative
 - Imperative
 - Exclamatory
 - Answer not known
- Find out the odd word
 - Traveller
 - Wayfarer
 - Voyager
 - Travel**
 - Answer not known

24. Choose the correct form of the verb to fill in the blank
Ravi _____ some money in a bank last week.
a. Was put b. Puts c. **Put** d. Had put
e. Answer not known
25. Identify the correct word by blending the words
News and Broadcast
a. New cast b. **News cast** c. News cas d. New cas
e. Answer not known
26. What is the figure of speech employed in the given line?
"Dust thou art, to dust returnest was not spoken of the soul"
a. Simile b. Metaphor c. **Allusion** d. Oxymoron
e. Answer not known
27. "New drops that floated on the pool like pearls, and now a silver blade" Find out the figure of speech employed in this line
a. **Simile** b. Oxymoron c. Personification d. Metaphor
e. Answer not known
28. Fill in the blanks with correct homophones
I had no _____. He gave me _____ of advice
a. **Peace/Piece** b. Dessert/Desert
c. Principle/Principal d. Stationary/Stationery
e. Answer not known



Group 4 (2019)

1. Fill in the blank with correct tense of the verb given.
I am sleepy. I _____ (work) all night.
a. have worked b. work **c. have been working**
d. worked e. Answer not known
2. Fill in the blank with the correct option:
The Earth _____ around the sun.
a. moves b. will move c. is moved d. would move
e. Answer not known
3. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement:
Jordi attends the class regularly, _____?
a. did he b. didn't he c. does he **d. doesn't he**
e. Answer not known
4. Select the correct question tag.
My father loves his native village _____?
a. don't he **b. doesn't he** c. didn't he d. does he
e. Answer not known
5. Choose the suitable phrasal verb:
The little people _____ their daily tasks.
a. went about b. went out c. went on d. wait on
e. Answer not known
6. He plays _____ guitar.
Find out the right article:
a. a b. an **c. the** d. none e. Answer not known
7. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :
Ramu had applied for _____ **(a)** post of _____ **(b)** cashier in _____ **(c)** bank. In
_____ **(d)** interview he answered some question well.
(a) (b) (c) (d)
a. a the the an
b. the a a the
c. the a a an
d. the a the an
e. Answer not known
8. Select the plural form of the following word:
'alumnus'
a. alumni b. alumnae c. alumna d. alumus e. Answer not known
9. Select the plural form of the following compound word.
"man servant"
a. man-servants b. men-servant **c. men-servants** d. mens-servants
e. Answer not known

10. Which of the two sentences are in the same degree of comparison?
 I. Mr. Roshanlal is the richest man in his village
 II. The climate on the hills is better than that on the plains
 III. It is as hot today as it was yesterday
 IV. In your view, who is the most popular cricketer?
 a. I and II b. I and III **c. I and IV** d. II and IV
 e. Answer not known

11. Which of the following is not a blended word?
 a. Motel b. Brunch **c. Kilogram** d. Interpol
 e. Answer not known

12. Choose the right combination for the blended word 'travelogue'
 a. travel + monologue b. travel + dialogue
c. travel + catalogue d. train + catalogue
 e. Answer not known

13. Pick out the compound word with the combination Adjective + Noun
 a. Watchman b. Hard working **c. Hot water**
 d. Whitewash e. Answer not known

14. Match the following and choose the correct code:

	Column A		Column B	
A.	Adjective + Noun		1. pale blue	
B.	Adjective + Verb		2. software	
C.	Adverb + Verb		3. free drive	
D.	Adjective + Adjective		4. downcast	
	A	B	C	D
a.	1	3	4	2
b.	2	3	4	1
c.	3	1	2	4
d.	2	4	3	1
e.	Answer not known			

15. Pick out the correct sentence from the options given below
 a. I met the concerned officer and explained my position
b. I met the officer concerned and explained my position
 c. The moon was really a world covered by mountains and valleys
 d. Either of these are suitable
 e. Answer not known

16. Find out the odd word :
 a. Ground b. School **c. Hard** d. Lab
 e. Answer not known

17. Choose the correct preposition and fill in the blanks:
 The cat hid _____ the door.
 a. above **b. behind** c. under d. from
 e. Answer not known

18. Fill in the blanks with the suitable word:
would you mind _____ the suitcase sir?
a. open **b. opening** c. to open d. opened e. Answer not known
19. Fill in the blanks with the correct verb form to complete the sentence.
A kind teacher always makes us _____ better.
a. to learn **b. learn** c. learning d. none of these e. Answer not known
20. Complete the following sentence using a suitable form of the passive voice.
The certificates _____ (issue) to the students last week.
a. were issued b. are being issued c. had been issued
d. were being issued e. Answer not known
21. Pick out the correct option :
The convenor _____ the meeting last week.
a. was convened b. convenes c. has convened
d. convened e. Answer not known
22. Pick out the correct answer :
The teacher with some students _____ the seminar.
a. attends b. attend c. attending d. have attended e. Answer not known
23. Fill in the blanks with a suitable question tag :
The conductor will not give you change for Rs. 10, _____ ?
a. Does he **b. Will he** c. Will not he d. Did he e. Answer not known
24. Fill up the blank with preposition :
The work will be over _____ this evening.
a. at **b. by** c. on d. near e. Answer not known
25. Choose the correct answer from the options given :
Park your car _____ the tree.
a. for b. on c. at **d. beside** e. Answer not known
26. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom 'A Cukoo in the nest'
a. to be coward b. some who raises early **c. an unwelcome intruder**
d. to wake up early e. Answer not known
27. Match the words with their meanings and choose the correct code from below :
- | | Column A | | Column B | |
|-----------|---------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| A. | teetotaller | | 1. | using both hands skillfully |
| B. | ambidextrous | | 2. | without a date |
| C. | sine die | | 3. | genuine |
| D. | bonafide | | 4. | refuses alcohol |
| | A | B | C | D |
| a. | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| b. | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| c. | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| d. | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | e. Answer not known | | | |

28. Which word given below cannot have the suffix ' ____ism'?
- I. regional
 - II. secular
 - III. rational
 - IV. response
- a. **IV** b. II c. I d. III e. Answer not known

29. Match Column A with Column B :

	Column A		Column B	
A.	-archy		1. Bureau	
B.	-crazy		2. Social	
C.	-ist		3. Path	
D.	-ology		4. Hier	
	A	B	C	D
a.	2	1	4	3
b.	2	4	3	1
c.	4	2	1	3
d.	4	1	2	3

e. Answer not known

30. The correct plural form of the compound noun 'daughter-in-law' is

- a. daughter-in-law
- b. daughters-in-laws
- c. daughters-in-law**
- d. daughter-in-laws
- e. Answer not known

31. Identify the simple sentence from the given options given below

- a. Ramu is too poor to buy a bicycle**
- b. Ramu is so poor that he cannot buy a bicycle
- c. Ramu is very poor and he cannot buy a bicycle
- d. Ramu is very poor and so he cannot buy a bicycle
- e. Answer not known

32. Pick out the complex sentence from the given options

- a. With all his money, he is not happy
- b. If we don't win, we shall die**
- c. In spite of his illness, he attended the class
- d. He worked hard, yet he failed in the exam
- e. Answer not known

33. Identify the sentence which is incorrect superlative degree

- a. Latha is one of the most brilliant students in the class**
- b. Latha is the most brilliant student than any other in the class
- c. Latha is one of the more brilliant student in the class
- d. Latha is one of the most brilliant student in the class
- e. Answer not known

34. Identify the sentence pattern.

The Company Chairperson promised them better salary.

- a. S V DO IO b. S V O A c. S V A O **d. S V IO DO**
- e. Answer not known

35. Fill in the blanks with correct homophones
Due to this _____ handwriting, he is not _____ for the post.
a. adapted/adopted **b. illegible/eligible** c. weak/week
d. credible/credulous e. Answer not known
36. Which one of the following sentences has an error in it?
I. My Father is a honest man
II. My Father is an honest man
III. My Father is one of the honest men
IV. My Father is honest
a. I b. II c. III d. IV
e. Answer not known
37. Which one of the following statement has error?
a. One should keep his promises
b. A dead man tells no tales
c. You cannot set foot in this house
d. Listen to what I say
e. Answer not known
38. Find out the odd word :
a. Clever b. Strong c. Good **d. Beyond** e. Answer not known
39. Pick out the right option and complete the line of the poem
"The cry of the children".
For, all day, the wheels are _____, _____
a. droning, turning b. ceiling, reeling c. moaning, drooping
d. stooping, burning e. Answer not known
40. He must be killed,
For in Sicily the black, black snakes are _____, the gold are _____.
Choose the right option and complete the above sentence.
a. venomous, innocent b. harmless, innocent **c. innocent, venomous**
d. venomous, harmless e. Answer not known
41. "How beautiful you are, Earth, and how sublime!" What is the figure of speech employed here?
a. Allusion **b. Personification** c. Oxymoron d. Ellipsis
e. Answer not known
42. Find out the figure of speech used in the passage.
"As humble plants by country hedgerows growing, that treasure up the rain".
a. Refrain b. Metonymy c. Hyperbole **d. Simile**
e. Answer not known
43. What is the figure of speech employed in the following line?
"I weep like a child for the past".
a. Metaphor b. Personification **c. Simile** d. Alliteration
e. Answer not known

EO Grade III (2019)

1. Find out the newly formed blended word, among the words given below, formed from the following words.
Education + Entertainment
a. educement
b. **edutainment**
c. edutertainment
d. educatainment
e. Answer not known
2. Find out the word we get if we blend travel + catalogue.
a. **travelogue**
b. travelogue
c. tracatalogue
d. travecatalogue
e. Answer not known
3. Which new word is formed by blending the words?
International + police
a. nation police
b. inter police
c. international police
d. **interpol**
e. Answer not known
4. Fill in the blank with the suitable form of adjective.
Very few cities in India are _____ Mumbai.
a. **as populous as**
b. more populous than
c. as popular than
d. most popular as
e. Answer not known
5. Pick out the sentence in comparative degree.
a. He run as fast as deer
b. This is the most delicious dish that I have ever tasted
c. Mr. Roshanlal is the richest man in his village
d. **Prevention is better than cure**
e. Answer not known
6. Which one of the following is not a plural word?
a. **genie**
b. strata
c. foci
d. alumnae
e. Answer not known
7. Give the plural form of the word 'Criterion'.
a. criteri
b. criter
c. criterius
d. **criteria**
e. Answer not known
8. Select the correct plural form of the word, 'axis'.
a. **axes**
b. axe
c. axis
d. axces
e. Answer not known
9. Find out the odd word from the options given below.
a. accompaniment
b. aisle
c. baton
d. **forte**
e. Answer not known
10. Find the sentence which conveys the same meaning.
Majority of the students achieved success in their examination.
a. Very few students failed in their English paper.
b. Very few students achieved success in their examination.
c. **Very few students failed in their examination.**
d. Very few passed in their examination.
e. Answer not known

11. Last month, a colourful and memorable Golden Jubilee Annual Day event was organized in our school. Many eminent personalities and educationists graced the occasion. why do people celebrate "Golden Jubilee"?
- a. to celebrate 25th anniversary **b. to celebrate 50th anniversary**
 c. to celebrate 60th anniversary d. to celebrate 75th anniversary
12. Which is incorrect in the following sentences?
- a. The weary dancer turned wiry after the final performance
 b. When the pole vaulter cleared 28 feet, it was declared a record
 c. The stranger paused for a few minutes before he passed my house
d. Nobody can say weather there will be an improvement in the whether
 e. Answer not known
13. Fill in the blanks with correct "Homophones":
 The chain that I presented to my sister was not made of gold; it was just _____. I am suffering from a sense of _____.
- a. guilt, guilty b. guilt, gilt c. guilty, gilt **d. gilt, guilt**
 e. Answer not known
14. The teacher wanted me to submit my work within a week.
 How do grammarians call the underlined verb in the above sentence?
- a. concord b. intransitive verb c. finite verb **d. infinitive**
 e. Answer not known
15. Which sentence is correct in using the participle
 The dog saw the stranger. It barked loudly
- a. The dog barked loudly to see the stranger
 b. The dog saw the stranger and barked loudly
 c. The barked dog saw the stranger
d. Seeing the stranger, the dog barked loudly
 e. Answer not known
16. We, the Tamilians, have been holding aloft this ideal for more than two thousand years as expressed in Purananuru (182). What is the tense used above?
- a. Present perfect b. Past perfect c. Past Perfect Continuous
d. Present perfect continuous e. Answer not known
17. English _____ (speak) all over the world by millions of people.
 Fill the blank with correct voice.
- a. was spoken b. had spoken c. was being spoken
d. is spoken e. Answer not known
18. Write the verb given in bracket.
 Using the correct Tense form.
 I _____ (see) this movie already.
- a. saw b. had seen **c. have seen** d. seeing e. Answer not known

19. Choose the correct statement for the following tag question
 _____, does he?
 a. **Madhav doesn't speak Telugu** b. Madhav don't speak Telugu
 c. Madhav do not speak Telugu d. Madhav speaks Telugu
 e. Answer not known
20. Choose the right preposition and fill in the blanks:
 The papers are to be prepared _____ a month.
 a. by **b. within** c. on d. for
 e. Answer not known
21. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles:
 Transcription is _____ process of listening to an audio file and writing what has been said
 verbatim in _____ same language that the original speaker used.
 a. a, the b. an, the c. the, a **d. the, the**
 e. Answer not known
22. Karthik is _____ famous violinist.
 Fill in the blank with a suitable article.
 a. an **b. a** c. the d. none e. Answer not known
23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:
 "What _____ amazing model" Whispered Hughie"?
 a. the **b. an** c. a d. all the three
 e. Answer not known
24. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word
 "The tall tree sheds its leaves during the autumn".
 a. down b. laid **c. fall** d. spring e. Answer not known
25. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word.
 "Our car ran out of Petrol"
 a. oil **b. gasoline** c. water d. power e. Answer not known
26. Identify the figure of speech used in the following lines :
 "And I thought of the albatross
 And I wished he would come back, my snake"
 a. **Allusion** b. Simile c. Metaphor d. Repetition e. Answer not known
27. "Life, what is it but a dream"?
 What is the figure of speech used in this line?
 a. Simile b. Personification **c. Metaphor** d. Alliteration
 e. Answer not known
28. Choose a compound word, from the following, having 'Adjective + Verb' form.
 a. **deep-fry** b. outrun c. sea food d. school boy
 e. Answer not known

29. Match the following and choose the correct sentence
- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| A. Noun + Noun | 1. in sight |
| B. Adverb + Noun | 2. dry clean |
| C. Noun + adjective | 3. star light |
| D. Adjective + verb | 4. radio-active |
- | | | | | |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| | A | B | C | D |
| a. | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| b. | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| c. | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| d. | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
- e. Answer not known
30. Which one of the following words is an example of a compound word consisting of noun + verb?
- | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1. school boy | 2. radio-active | 3. Waterfall | 4. downcast |
| a. 1 | b. 2 | c. 3 | d. 4 |
| e. Answer not known | | | |
31. Identify the sentence which is in superlative degree
- Mr. Roshanlal is the richest man in his village.
 - Mr. Roshanlal is a rich man.
 - No other man is so rich as Mr. Roshanlal.
 - The rich man of the village is Mr. Roshanlal.
- a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4 e. Answer not known
32. Which one of the following is not a complex sentence?
- It is really surprising that he has not been arrested by the police.
 - Unless you work hard, you will not clear the semester.
 - As my uncle was not willing to help me, I had to apply for a loan from the bank.
 - Look at the signature carefully and you will know the forgery.**
- e. Answer not known
33. Pick out the simple sentence from the following sentences.
- I wanted to buy a house where there is a greenery and fresh air.
 - This is a sweet mango from my garden.**
 - The transport workers were on strike so I had to walk back home.
 - When the thief saw the dog, he ran away.
- e. Answer not known
34. Identify the type of sentence.
Being intelligent, she got the job.
- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| a. simple sentence | b. compound sentence |
| c. complex sentence | d. none of these |
- e. Answer not known
35. Find out the odd one
- | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------------|----------|
| a. rhythm | b. alliteration | c. paraphrase | d. metre |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------------|----------|
- e. Answer not known

36. Select the correct sentence from the following.
a. In spite of heavy rain, the match was continued.
 b. Despite of heavy rain, the match was continued.
 c. Though it rained heavily, the match will be continued.
 d. It rained heavily but the match will be continued.
 e. Answer not known
37. Pick out the correct meaning of the sentence.
 How dare you ask me such a question?
 a. He was a cheat **b. He was so bold** c. He was a coward
 d. He was a liar e. Answer not known
38. Find out the error and correct it with a suitable word given in the options.
 I prefer train than bus.
 a. for b. and **c. to** d. by e. Answer not known
39. Which one of the following sentences has an error in it?
 I. No other road is more narrow as this one.
 II. Rain water is the purest form of natural water.
 III. Reena's work was the best
 IV. Apples are not so sweet as Mangoes.
a. I b. II c. III d. IV e. Answer not known
40. Find out the sentence pattern of the following:
 Reading made him a complete man.
 a. S V C O **b. S V O C** c. S V O A d. S V I O D O e. Answer not known
41. Fill in the blanks with the correct verb form to complete the sentence :
 _____ to music, he was able to over come his grief.
 a. resort b. to resort c. resorted **d. resorting** e. Answer not known
42. In primitive times, stone implements _____ (employ) to kill animals.
 Fill in the blanks with passive voice verb.
 a. is employed **b. were employed** c. has employed
 d. have employed e. Answer not known
43. Select the sentence in the other voice for the below given sentence :
 Magdalene is singing the prayer.
 a. The prayer is sung by Magdalene
b. The prayer is being sung by Magdalene
 c. The prayer is being singing by Magdalene
 d. The prayer was being sung by Magdalene
 e. Answer not known
44. Fill in the blanks using the correct voice of the verbs given below :
 You cannot meet the captain of the Cricket Team how, as he _____ by the reporter at the moment.
a. is being interviewed b. was interviewed c. will interview
 d. interview e. Answer not known

45. Supply suitable question tag.
He should see a doctor if he is unwell, _____?
a. shall he? **b. shouldn't he?** c. does he? d. should he?
e. Answer not known
46. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement?
I'm not late _____?
a. aren't **b. am I** c. have I d. had I e. Answer not known
47. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :
The absent - minded man is often a man who is making the best _____ life and therefore has no time _____ remember the mediocre.
a. about, for b. for, to **c. of, to** d. with, to e. Answer not known
48. The cat hid _____ the door.
Fill in the blank with correct preposition.
a. behind b. at c. with d. under e. Answer not known
49. Fill in the blank with a suitable "prefix" from the options given below:
Your school organized an _____ school sports event at Nehru Stadium. Write a report.
a. enter **b. inter** c. multi d. poly e. Answer not known
50. Match the words in Column A with the suffixes in Column B
- | | Column A | | Column B | |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D |
| A. magic | | | 1. -ity | |
| B. manage | | | 2. -al | |
| C. able | | | 3. -ly | |
| D. slow | | | 4. -ment | |
| a. | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| b. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| c. | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| d. | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
- e. Answer not known
51. Add a suffix to the word 'exception'.
a.ment **b.al** c.ance d.ful e. Answer not known
52. Match the following words and phrases given in Column A with their meanings in Column B.
- | | Column A | | Column B | |
|---------------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D |
| A. lay by | | | 1. move back | |
| B. lay over | | | 2. keep away | |
| C. stand off | | | 3. stop at a place | |
| D. stand back | | | 4. keep for future use | |
| a. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| b. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| c. | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| d. | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
- e. Answer not known

53. Match the words and phrases in Column A with their meanings in Column B and choose the correct code below.

	Column A		Column B	
	A	B	C	D
A.	cocktail face			1. physically strong
B.	absurdity			2. mixed emotions
C.	Stalwart			3. Poisonous teeth
D.	fangs			4. silly and foolish
a.	1	2	4	3
b.	2	1	4	3
c.	2	4	1	3
d.	4	3	2	1
e.	Answer not known			

54. You must resist continuously to defend your right views.

- a. stand off **b. stand out** c. stand in d. stand by e. Answer not known



